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**I**T'S the start of a new University year and you're only of the many thousands of students arriving in the city for the first time.

You'll already have seen both the city and either of our two universities when you came for your interview but there's so much to see and take in on that important day that it probably went past in a blur.

So take time now to look at Union, the magazine specially created to give you an introduction to your new life as a student in the city that will be your home for the next three years.

Just in case you've forgotten all the information that came with the initial application - or maybe you never even got round to reading it

- we have a brief introduction to both the city's universities. And, to help you get a sense of what the city itself is all about, we've come up with a brief history of Sheffield, handy if you want to impress folks back home

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**We hope you enjoy your time with us**

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with your local knowledge. The chances are you'll already have your accommodation for the year sorted but within the first few months you'll be looking at what happens when your freshers' year comes to an end so check out our guide to the alternatives once you

leave the Halls of Residence. And then, because you're students and we know that you'll be wanting to make the most of student life, we have a few suggestions on what you might find interesting once lectures are finished.

Bars, clubs, theatres, cinemas - Sheffield has them all, making it one of the most popular student cities in the UK.

We hope you'll enjoy your time with us - and that this guide will at least help make your first few weeks in South Yorkshire a little easier - enjoy!



**John Highfield**